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For:	Layered Manufactured Articles)	Date: March 27, 2007
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	Conduction Vents and Methods)	
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Applicants want to bring to the attention of the examiner the existence of application Ser. No. 10/571,176 that is currently pending. That application has been published as US 2007-0029698 A1.

Applicants also point out that a full translation of the German-language DE 199 37 315 A1 is provided along with a copy of the original document. For EP 0 908 286, which is also in the German-language, a translation of its abstract is provided along with a copy of the original document.

Applicants believe that their invention as described and claimed in the instant application is neither taught nor suggested by the disclosed art. Accordingly, Applicants' invention is believed to be patentable over this art.

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